## **HELPFUL RESOURCES**

#### **STATEWIDE**

Kansas Crisis Hotline 1-888-ENDABUSE (1-888-363-22873)

Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence

http://www.kcsdv.org (785) 232-9784

Juvenile Justice Authority http://jja.state.ks.us

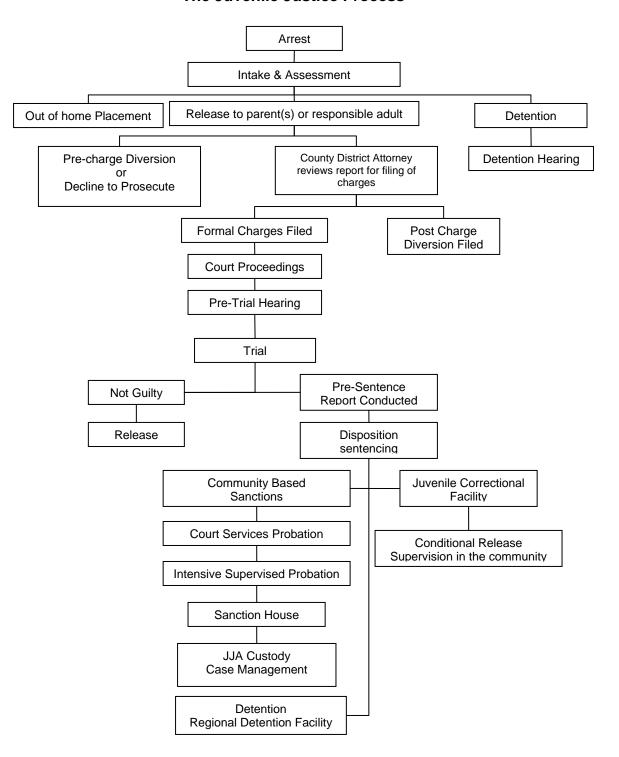
Office of Judicial Administration

http://www.kscourts.org

LOCAL
Court Case Number:
Victim Advocate:
County Attorney/DA: ( )
Other Resources:

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### The Juvenile Justice Process



# VICTIMS OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS

The Kansas Juvenile Justice Code defines a victim as:

"Any person who suffers direct or threatened physical, emotional or financial harm as the result of the commission or attempted commission of a crime against a person."

This definition of victim includes:

- Spouse or surviving spouse
- Children
- Parents or stepparents
- Siblings
- Legal Guardians
- Grandparents

# RESTITUTION

Restitution is court ordered compensation made by an offender to a victim for loss, damage or injury suffered. Restitution can be made in several ways:

- Financial repayment
- Working for the victim(s)
- Community service
- Service for charitable organizations

If a juvenile offender fails to pay, restitution can be enforced by a civil court action even after the court's jurisdiction is terminated.

### INFORMATION FOR VICTIMS

Crime victims may have access to the following information about a juvenile offender:

- Court documents for juveniles age 14 or older, including the offense, adjudication and disposition
- Law enforcement records for juveniles age 14 or older
- Out of home placement status of a juvenile
- Restitution status
- Results of the disposition including sanctions, court-ordered conditions of probation and commitment to a juvenile correctional facility
- Conditional Release Status when a juvenile is scheduled for released from a juvenile correctional facility
- Notice of the juvenile offender's discharge from JJA custody

Generally, victim identification information maintained by the JJA is not public information under the Juvenile Justice Code. However, law enforcement records for property crimes and certain felony person crimes that contain victim information may be open to the public.

### **VICTIM RIGHTS**

If you are a victim of a juvenile offender you have the right to be notified and be present at any court hearing regarding your case. In addition, you may be eligible for the following:

- Compensation from the Crime Victims Compensation Board
- Restitution
- A no-contact order preventing the juvenile offender from contacting you or other members of your family.
- To request HIV and Hepatitis B testing of an offender and know the results if you or your minor child is the victim of a sexual assault or other crime where there was the exchange of bodily fluids.
- Participation in Victim Offender Mediation, if available in your area
- To provide a victim impact statement prior to disposition from which restitution can be determined
- To receive an apology letter from the offender

A juvenile who commits a sexually violent offense may not attend the same school as the victim. A court hearing shall be held to determine alternate education plans for a juvenile offender.